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News Release

CITY TO CELEBRATE NATIONAL BIKE MONTH

GREENVILLE (SC) On Monday, April 14, City Council passed a resolution endorsing the month of May as National Bike Month and declaring the week of May 12–16 as Bike to Work Week in the city of Greenville. Bike to Work Day will be held on May 16. The City will celebrate National Bike Month with family-friendly activities designed to appeal to bicycle enthusiasts of all ages, skill levels and interests. Volunteers from Bikeville, the City's bicycle friendly community initiative, have developed a series of events that will take place throughout the month of May to promote greater public awareness of bicycle operation, safety and enjoyment.

According to Edward Kinney, the City's senior landscape architect, the City celebrates National Bike Month to promote bicycle commuting and bicycling for recreation, as well as the importance of roadway safety, the community-building aspect of bicycling and the benefits to the environment and the economy. "Being a bike friendly community directly contributes to Greenville's livability and long term viability, and our goals for National Bike Month are to encourage, promote and raise awareness of this vital public infrastructure," said Kinney.

The League of American Bicyclists honored Greenville with its prestigious Bicycle Friendly Community award (Bronze Level) in 2009 and again in 2013. In 2011, the City completed its Bicycle Master Plan, which presents a framework to help strategize the expansion of the existing bikeway network, complete network gaps and provide greater transportation connectivity while educating and encouraging bicycling throughout the city.

Visit <http://www.greenvillesc.gov/ParksRec/Trails/bikemonth.aspx> for more information about National Bike Month, including additional details and contacts for the National Bike Month activities listed below:

Thursday, May 1, 11 am

Swamp Rabbit Trail Impact Study release at Williams Hardware in Travelers Rest

Saturday, May 3, 11 am - 2 pm
Kick-off party at the Swamp Rabbit Café

Tuesday, May 6, 7 pm
Bike Maintenance Basics at REI

Wednesday, May 7
National Bike to School Day

Thursday, May 8, 6 pm
Augusta Street Bike Boulevard presentation at Augusta Road Library

Saturday and Sunday, May 10-11
Bike valet at Artisphere

Saturday, May 10, 8 am
Cyclofemme Ride at Linky Stone Park

May 12-16
National Bike to Work Week

Wednesday, May 14, 9-11 am
Lights for Life at Triune Church

Thursday, May 15, 6:30 pm
Free Commuting 101 class at TTR Bikes

Wednesday, May 21, 7 pm
Ride of Silence at Mayberry Park

Friday, May 23, 5 pm
Bicycle Safety at Pedal Chic

Tuesday, May 27, 7 pm
Bike Maintenance Basics for Women at REI

Wednesday, May 28, 7 pm
Bicycle Commuting Basics at REI

Saturday, May 31, 10 am-1 pm
Demo Day at South Main Street

Saturday, May 31, 10 am-1 pm:
Commuting and Road Basic Safety Class at Demo Day on South Main Street

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